<u>Invitation for Public Comment</u> on the Reappointment of U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Frank Alley

The current term of the Honorable Frank Alley, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Oregon, is due to expire in January 2009. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit is considering the reappointment of the judge to a new term of office of 14 years. The court invites comments from the bar and public about Judge Alley's performance as a bankruptcy judge. The duties of a bankruptcy judge are specified by statute, and include conducting hearings and trials, making final determinations, and entering orders and judgements.

Members of the bar and public are invited to submit comments concerning Judge Alley for consideration by the Court of Appeals in determining whether or not to reappoint him. Anonymous responses will not be accepted. However, respondents who do not wish to have their identities disclosed should so indicate in the response, and such requests will be honored.

Comments should be submitted no later than **Monday, March 17, 2008** to the following address:

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